

11 Marble St.
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Mrs. Manley:—

I dislike a lot of bickering over money and all, so to get ^{to} the point. Since I've been informed my price was too steep for Regis baseball, I sort of expected ~~no~~ no answer at all. Now that you have sent me your contract, I really can't call it an unfair one.

Truthfully, the pay that I am receiving on my job amounts to a good deal of overtime. My base pay, in all fairness to you and giving you the facts,

3] I do hope you can understand my reasoning. I perhaps seem bothersome but it's not intentional. I'm in good condition and only need to get my eyes and legs in condition. I'll be looking at some good college pitching up here so I should be pretty near in condition by the opening of the season. If it would be o.k. with you and we do reach ~~these~~ terms, I could meet the team in Newark or somewhere near before the first game in Newark.

If you want the contract, I'll send it back at your request.

Sincerely,

Francis Matthews

is for forty-eight hours, sixty-²eight, sixty four. I am asking for that much at least.

If I were single I would be down and would have been at the first call. I'm trying to be a breadwinner now, and be a good one.

About training camp, I'll be working out here with Northeastern University in a day or so. I would like to come to camp, but I'd have to go in to my little savings (and ^{wouldn't} ~~be~~ been into heavily ~~in~~ for income tax). I ~~don't~~ want to borrow any money from you before the season if you did send for me.

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